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## REPLY

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2002 (Paper No. 13), please amend paragraph 0001 of the specification of this application as follows. A marked-up version of this paragraph showing the changes made is included at the end of this Reply.

--[0001] This application claims the priority of German application 100 17 285.7, filed April 6, 2000.--

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